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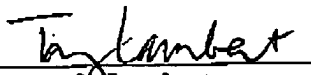
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In the response to the official action dated September 10, 2004, that was faxed to the USPTO on December 7, 2004, it was stated that: "The addition of claims 21-27 brings the number of claims to 27. Please charge the required fee of \$56 or such other amount that is due to deposit account no. 12-0434."

Actually, the number of claims in the case is now 26, and the fee should have been \$54. Therefore, please charge the required fee of \$54 or such other amount that is due to deposit account no. 12-0434."

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